

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Panchayats – Appeal Petition filed by Smt B. Manemma, Sarpanch (removed) Maharajpet Gram Panchayat, Sankarpalle Mandal, Ranga Reddy District-Against Proceedings No.143/2008-B2(PW), dt.1.12.2008 of the District Collector(PW) Rangareddy District - Allowed – Orders – Issued.

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PANCHAYAT RAJ AND RURAL DEVELOPMENT (PTS.II) DEPARTMENT
G.O.RT.NO. 505 **DATED : 27-02-2009**
READ THE FOLLOWING:-

- 1.From the District Collector(PW) Rangareddy District Proceedings No.143/2008-B2(PW), dt.01.12.2008
- 2.From Smt B. Manemma, Sarpanch (Removed) Maharajpet Village, Shankarpally Mandal of Rangareddy District, Appeal petition dt.04-12.2008
3. Govt.Memo. No.28283/Pts.II/A2/2008-1, dt.10.12.2008.
- 4.Govt.Telegram No.28283/Pts.II/A2/2008-2, dt.11.12.2008.
- 5.From the District Panchayat Officer, Ranga Reddy District Letter No. B2/143/2008, dt 12-12-08.
- 6.Govt.Telegram No.28283/Pts.II/A2/2008-3, dt.02.01.2009, 19.01.2009 and 02.02.2009.
- 7.Govt.Memo. No.28283/Pts.II/A2/2008-1, dt.02.02.2009.
8. From the District Panchayat Officer, Ranga Reddy District Letter No. B2/143/2008, dt 09-02-2009

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ORDER:-

In the reference first read above, the District Collector (PW), Rangareddy District has removed Smt B.Manemma, Sarpanch, Maharajpet Gram Panchayat, Shankarapalle Mandal of Rangareddy District for misappropriating the Gram Panchayat funds under section 249(1) and for recovery of the said amount under section 265 of APPR Act 1994.

2) Aggrieved by the above orders, in the reference 2nd read above Smt B.Manemma, Sarpanch(Removed) Maharajpet Gram Panchayat, Sankarpalle Mandal of Rangareddy District has filed an appeal petition before the Government against the orders of the District Collector(PW), Rangareddy District and requested to set aside the orders passed by the District Collector(PW), Rangareddy District.

3) In the reference 3rd, 4th and 6th read above, Government have informed and requested the District Collector (PW) Ranga Reddy District and all other concerned to attend the hearing with relevant material.

4) In the reference 7th read above, the District Panchayat Officer, Rangareddy District was directed to provide an opportunity to the petitioner for reconciliation of the expenditure incurred with the documentary evidence, and send a compliance report to Government as discussed at the time of hearing. In the reference 5th and 8th read above, the District Panchayat Officer, Rangareddy District has furnished report alongwith compliance report to Government.

(P.T.O.)

5) The case was heard on 29.1.2009. The Petitioner appeared in person and pleaded that she has not misappropriated any of Gram Panchayat funds. Whatever the amounts drawn by her have been spent for the developmental activities of Gram Panchayat and further contended that she is having all the documentary evidence to account for the same. She has also contended that she is not aware of the rules and procedures. She has therefore requested to set aside the impugned orders and allow her revision petition as she has not misappropriated any Gram Panchayat Funds. The District Panchayat Officer who was present at the time of hearing has been directed to provide another opportunity to the petitioner for reconciliation of the expenditure incurred by her with the documentary evidence. If the petitioner failed to account for the expenditure properly, that should be recovered from her and submit a report on or before 10.2.2009.

6) The District Panchayat Officer in her Letter No.B2/143/2008, dated 10.2.2009 has reported that the petitioner has remitted the cash balance of Rs.15,340/- into the Treasury and credited the same to Gram Panchayat Funds vide Challan No.6370, dated 31.1.2009.

7) Since the amount has been recovered from the Petitioner and the Petitioner has properly accounted for the amounts drawn by her and the lapse committed by the petitioner are procedural irregularities, Government have no hesitation to allow the Revision Petition and set aside the impugned orders of the District Collector (PW), Rangareddy District as the Petitioner being illiterate and hails from a poor scheduled caste community, Government after careful consideration feel that it is expeditious to excuse the Petitioner as a first mistake.

8) The District Collector (PW) Rangareddy District shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

CHITRA RAMCHANDRAN
SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
The District Collector,(PW) Rangareddy District.
The District Panchayat Officer, Rangareddy District.
The Commissioner,Panchayat Raj & Rural Employment, AP Hyderabad.

Copy to:

Smt B.Manemma, Sarpanch(Removed) Maharajpet Gram Panchayat,
Sankarapally Mandal, Rangareddy District.

P.S. to Minister (PR)

P.S. to Secretary to Government (PR)

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// FORWARDED BY ORDER //

SECTION OFFICER